

Along with the many articles Dr. Farrar has authored and published, he has written such books as "Reluctant Servant" (Missouri, 1968); "Mass Media and the National Experience", with John D. Stevens (Harper & Row, 1971); "College 101" (Peterson's Guides), 1985, 1988; "Mass Communication: An Introduction to the Field" (West, 1988; Brown, 1995); "The Ultimate College Profession: Walter Williams, Journalist to the World" (Missouri, 1998).

Dr. Farrar is deeply respected in the field of journalism and academics. His expertise and talent have earned him commissions to write numerous articles and conduct national studies. He has been awarded various grants and certificates of achievement, including the Distinguished Service Medal for Research in Journalism in 1969 by the Society of Professional Journalists for Reluctant Servant; The Story of Charles G. Ross. From 1971 to 1973, he was a consultant for continuing study of television audiences for the Public Broadcasting System. Faculties for the US government, private sectors and journalistic associations have been privileged to have him serve on their boards.

His long career achievements include award research grants from the Kaltenborn Foundation, U.S. Steel Foundation, Harry S. Truman Library Institute, Indiana Research Foundation, Kentucky Press Association, Kentucky Humanities council, National Endowment for the Humanities, Sigma Delta Chi Foundation, University of Kentucky Research Foundation, University of South Carolina Research Foundation, Southern Regional Education Board, and Freedom forum.

Dr. Farrar was appointed the Reynolds-Faunt memorial Professor in 1986 and held that professorship until his retirement. He will now be recognized as Professor Emeritus.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my colleagues to join me today in honoring Dr. Ronald T. Farrar for the incredible service he has provided through a lifetime in the academic community. I sincerely thank him for his outstanding contributions, congratulate him on his recent retirement, and wish him good luck and Godspeed in his future endeavors.

#### HONORING FIREFIGHTER ROBERT STEPHEN BOUDREAU

#### HON. FELIX J. GRUCCI, JR.

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. GRUCCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the retirement of a fine New York City Firefighter, Robert Stephen Boudreau.

On April 11, 1942, in the small village of Gaytons, New Brunswick, Canada, Robert Stephen Boudreau was born to Mary and Joseph. He was the youngest of four sons. Bob grew up in Canada and came to the United States in the early 1960's. From 1964-1966 he served as a Military Policeman in the Continental Headquarters Command of the United States Army. On September 24, 1967, Judy Weider and Bob were married.

A year later, November 30, 1968, Bob became a proud member of the New York City

Fire Department. His first assignment was Ladder Company 47 in the Bronx and then College Point in Queens. Bob was promoted to Lieutenant on April 2, 1983 and was a covering officer for a year in Battalion 34 in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn. From there, Engine Company 238 in Greenpoint became his permanent assignment. On October 31, 1989, Bob was promoted to Captain, where he was on covering assignments in Division 10 before becoming a member of Engine 270 in Richmond Hill. Prior to his retirement, Bob served at Engine 302 and Ladder 155 in South Ozone Park, Queens. Although his love for the Fire Department will never waiver, Bob officially retired on July 8, 2001, after spending close to 33 years on the department. Today, September 22, 2001, members of every firehouse Bob has served in come together to celebrate his accomplishments and to cheer him on to his retirement.

During their marriage, Bob and Judy were blessed with three beautiful daughters: Kimberly Anne, Denise Marie, and on Valentine's Day 1976, Danielle Valerie joined their family. In 1995, Bob welcomed two "sons" to the family when Denise married Tom Scott and Kimberly married Steven Goldberg. Bob will soon be welcoming another "son" to the family, when Danielle and Alan DeLellis marry. After raising three daughters, Bob became the grandfather of Evan James on March 15, 1999, and twins, Dylan Thomas and Ryan Gerard on July 19, 2001, and he and Judy look forward to yet another grandchild in February. Bob's greatest loves are his family and friends, and the time he has spent serving as a New York City Firefighter.

#### COMMENDING THE STUDENTS, TEACHERS, PARENTS AND SUPPORT STAFF OF SUZANNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend the students, teachers, parents, and support staff of Suzanne Middle School on being named a 2001 California Distinguished School.

Suzanne Middle School, located in Walnut, California, is part of the Walnut Valley School District. Home to 1,300 sixth, seventh, and eighth-graders, its student body is representative of California's diverse culture. But despite the various backgrounds represented, each student is expected to contribute a learning environment which demands high expectations.

The teachers and staff of this school are committed to giving "whatever it takes" to meet the needs of their students. This goal frequently requires involving the parents and community in school activities.

The combination of high expectations for students, committed teachers and staff, and parental involvement has made Suzanne Middle School one of America's Distinguished Schools.

IN HONOR OF WILLIAM E. MARTIN,  
POSTHUMOUS RECIPIENT OF THE  
JERSEY CITY EDUCATION ASSO-  
CIATION'S LOUIS T. SCIALLI ME-  
MORIAL AWARD

#### HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the late William E. Martin, a posthumous recipient of the Jersey City Education Association's Louis T. Scialli Memorial Award. A special ceremony remembering the achievements and accomplishments of Mr. Martin will take place on September 25, 2001, at the Meadowlands Crowne Plaza in Secaucus, New Jersey.

Youth outreach and community service initiatives were always top priorities in William Martin's life. In 1946, Archbishop Boland, the Archdiocese of Newark, New Jersey, appointed him Director of the CYO Center in Hudson County, New Jersey. While at CYO, he established one of the largest day camps in the state, with over 1,000 children participating in his youth programs.

In 1956, William Martin began his distinguished career with the United Way Foundation, serving as President of the United Way in Hudson County. During his tenure, Mr. Martin was instrumental in establishing over 30 Tri-State United Way agencies. As a result of his hard work and dedication, United Way now provides social services in over 700 communities throughout the Tri-State area, lending assistance to over 8 million people a year.

Beyond his administrative duties, William Martin also served as an Ambassador for the United Way Foundation. In 1988, he was chosen by his peers to set up United Way services in Beijing, China and Hong Kong. In addition, he assisted in the implementation of United Way services in Vietnam, Pakistan, Egypt, and the Philippines.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring William Martin for his distinguished service and diligent efforts on behalf of the residents of Hudson County, New Jersey.

#### HONORING THE SERVICE OF LEE SPERRY

#### HON. SCOTT MCINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, the State of Colorado is growing at a tremendous pace and it requires sincere dedication and knowledge to help manage such expansion. After sixteen years of service to the people of Delta County as a member of the Planning Commission, Lee Sperry has decided to hand in his resignation. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the important contributions that Lee has made and thank him for his years of service.

A lot has changed since Lee first joined the Planning Commission. Ideas of unbridled growth have been tempered with concerns of

open land preservation. Throughout this fundamental change, Lee has always attempted to maintain a balanced perspective between the county's master plan and the desires of the public seeking to live out their goals and dreams. Lee has a keen interest in ensuring that the common person is not overlooked in deliberations.

Mr. Speaker, as we wrestle with the issue of growth in Colorado, Lee Sperry has done an outstanding job shepherding that process for over sixteen years. He has truly helped to preserve the heritage of Colorado while allowing it to progress into the future judiciously. It is with great appreciation that I recognize Lee today and I extend my warmest regards to him upon his retirement and wish him many happy years to come.

**HONORING THE CATHOLIC-JEWISH  
COMMISSION OF SOUTHERN NEW  
JERSEY ON SIGNING AN INTER-  
FAITH AGREEMENT OF UNDER-  
STANDING AND COOPERATION**

**HON. JIM SAXTON**

OF NEW JERSEY

**HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO**

OF NEW JERSEY

**HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with my colleagues to recognize the Catholic-Jewish Commission of Southern New Jersey as among the first in the nation to create a formal Agreement of Understanding and Cooperation between their faith communities.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Camden, Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey, the Jewish Community Relations Council, and the Tri-County Board of Rabbis have committed themselves to eliminating all forms of anti-Semitism, anti-Catholicism, racism and religious intolerance, and in promoting mutual understanding.

In the spirit of their respective traditions, this Agreement affirms the continuing commitment of these two communities to uphold and observe the right of every human being to freedom of religion and conscience.

We believe this Agreement is a shining example of a sound and lasting basis for continuing development of interfaith cooperation. We join the members of both the Catholic and Jewish communities worldwide in expressing appreciation to the efforts of the Catholic-Jewish Commission to build a bridge of faith and peace.

Mr. Speaker, please join us in congratulating the Catholic-Jewish Commission of Southern New Jersey on their historic achievements and the signing of their interfaith Agreement of Understanding and Cooperation.

**EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS**

IN MEMORY OF EDITH FINLAYSON

**HON. THOMAS M. BARRETT**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, Wisconsin lost a true friend on Wednesday, with the passing of Edith Finlayson.

Edith was a self-made woman, an outstanding example for my daughters and for all young women. She was the daughter of a Baptist minister, and she drew on her faith for strength and guidance throughout her life. She earned a nursing degree and pursued advanced education in nursing administration.

Edith and her husband William moved to Milwaukee in 1958. She became the first African American nurse at Milwaukee's Veterans Administration hospital. Her talents and hard work won her the position of head nurse in the hospital's paraplegic unit.

When her own health failed, Edith left the VA hospital, but she did not retire. Instead, she began a long and illustrious second career as what our hometown newspaper aptly described as a "professional volunteer." Wisconsin's governor appointed Edith to the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents in 1980, and she represented the children of our community for decades with caring and distinction. Edith's dedicated leadership contributed immeasurably to the decision to bring doctoral programs to the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee. She was also an active steward of institutions including the Greater Milwaukee Committee, the Milwaukee Foundation, Milwaukee Area Technical College, the National Council of Christians and Jews, the Milwaukee Urban League, the NAACP and the Milwaukee Regional Medical Center.

Edith Finlayson exemplified our Nation's finest spirit. She was an American who defined her citizenship not by her place of birth, but by her commitment to the betterment of our community. Though Wisconsin is diminished by her loss, we remain inspired by her example.

TRIBUTE TO FRANK J. TORNETTA

**HON. JOSEPH M. HOFFEL**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. HOFFEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Frank J. Tornetta School of Anesthesia at Montgomery Hospital in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania on their fifty years of academic and clinical training of nurse anesthetists.

Dr. Tornetta founded the school in 1951 to provide the community with highly educated and clinically competent nurse anesthetists. Over the past fifty years, the school has graduated over 300 students. The nurse anesthetists from the Frank J. Tornetta School of Anesthesia are respected in their various fields and hold many high level positions in academic and administration fields. The school is accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia.

A strong academic partnership exists between the La Salle University School of Nurs-

ing and the Frank J. Tornetta School of Anesthesia. This partnership has also received a one million dollar grant through the Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration.

The Frank J. Tornetta School of Anesthesia has been a premier institution at Montgomery Hospital for fifty years. It has developed a long tradition of excellence and a highly regarded reputation. Our community is very fortunate to have such an outstanding educational presence in the health care field in our area. I am honored to celebrate this special day with the Frank J. Tornetta School of Anesthesia.

**HONORING CHIEF MICHAEL E. RIO  
ON HIS RETIREMENT**

**HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a remarkable civil servant and protector of the public. I would like to honor Chief Michael E. Rio on his retirement from the Chicago Ridge Police Department and to pay tribute to his many years of service to the officers and citizens of the village of Chicago Ridge. Chief Rio retired from service to the department on August 31, 2001.

Chief Rio is a 31-year veteran of the Chicago Ridge Police Department. Hired as a patrol officer in 1970, he had risen to the rank of Detective and then was appointed Chief in August of 1987. He was the first member of the Chicago Ridge Police Department to attend the prestigious FBI national academy. His dedication, excellence, and courage can be seen through the numerous awards and commendations he has received, including two Awards of Valor for his actions in life-threatening incidents. Also, during his many years of service, Chief Rio has been instrumental in reforming the Chicago Ridge Police Department, making it one of the most state-of-the-art facilities around.

Chief Rio is well regarded by his family and the community for his personal character, honesty, and integrity. He is a father of four children, Linda, Joseph, Michelle, and Michael Jr., as well as the proud grandfather of six.

Mr. Speaker, as Chief Rio leaves behind a long and rich history at the Chicago Ridge Police Department, I would ask that my colleagues join me in honoring this great man.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM E. LEONARD

**HON. GARY G. MILLER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 21, 2001*

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and honor the accomplishments of the Honorable William E. Leonard, the father of the Honorable Bill Leonard, member of the California Assembly, 63rd District.

Mr. Leonard earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from UC Berkeley in